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Sir:

REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 17, 2004, which set a time for response to expire on November 17, 2004, please extend that period three-months to expire on February 17, 2004. The Patent Office is authorized to charge said fee to the deposit account of Straub & Pokotylo, deposit account number 50-1049.

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